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"THE DAYS OF ACTION HAVE COME; THE MEN OF ACTION ARE READY"

THE CONGRESS BEGINS ITS WORK.

First Meeting of the Eleventh Annual Session of Irrigators Called to Order.

OGDEN EXTENDS WARM GREETING

Strong Speeches of Welcome, Many Noted Delegates and Important Subjects to Discuss.

THE OPENING IS MOST AUSPICIOUS

Government Experts, United States Senators and Other Men of Prominence to Speak.

(Special to the "News.")

Ogden, Sept. 15.—When Rex was king and Ogden awoke to her carnival glory would have seemed that the summit of her pride had been reached; but today the Junction city's former greatness has eclipsed itself. Her streets are filled with the most distinguished representatives of the brain and beauty of the west, and under all the honor bestowed upon her she carries herself with becoming dignity and grace. The Eleventh National Irrigation Congress is opened with the blare of brass and the martial tap of drum. Music fills the air while men and women from all the western states and many Mexico crowd the broad thoroughfares and give to the place a carnival air that has already incited a friendly contest for the honor of entertaining the twelfth congress. El Paso is here with a band of Mexican musicians from Juarez and a determined lot of delegates who have "set their cap" for the prize. Reno, Nevada, is also in the race, and her efforts are seconded by the Californians. Portland, Oregon, too, has a mind to win the race, and St. Louis, not content with the name of the world's fair, is bound to achieve the distinction of claiming the next congress of irrigators.

Senator W. A. Clark, president of the congress, arrived yesterday and is greatly pleased with the splendid opening, expressing enthusiastic interest in the work to be done and encouraging all with characteristic energy. Local officials are alert to all the requirements of the situation and seem to have every detail well in hand.

HORTICULTURAL EXHIBIT.

As an adjunct to the congress the horticultural exhibit at the fair grounds is rounding itself out into a splendid affair. It is surprising the most scientific of its supporters and during the day the intention to have a similar display at the world's fair in St. Louis.

WHAT CONGRESS WILL DO.

With delegates present from 11 states west of the Mississippi, representing practically every important agricultural organization in the territory included in the semi-arid and arid region of the country, state and municipal governments, the eleventh session of the National Irrigation Congress opened here today. The sessions will continue until Friday, and during that time much important action is expected to be taken looking toward the reclamation of the vast unsettled territories of the west that but await the touch of water to blossom and bear fruit. At the same time the movement looking toward government aid in a vast scheme of irrigating the arid west has so much interest been taken in the meetings of the irrigation congress, and during the four days sessions irrigation and its kindred subjects forestry and colonization, will not only be discussed but practical illustrations of what irrigation is doing for the west will be given. Among the speakers will be United States senators and governors of a half dozen states, and many government experts in forestry and irrigation and representatives of many western commercial organizations and colonization movements.

Delegates continue to pour into the city, every train arriving this morning bringing in hundreds interested in the work of the congress.

SENATOR CLARK RAPS FOR ORDER.

Although the first meeting was scheduled for 9:30 a. m., it was considerably beyond that time when President W. A. Clark ascended the platform of the tabernacle in which the meetings are to be held, and rapped for order. The venerable president, John R. Winder, one of the counselors of President Joseph F. Smith, delivered a brief invocation at the close of the invocation Governor Wells of Utah warmly welcomed the delegates in behalf of the pioneer irrigation state. A welcome to Ogden was extended by Mayor William Glasman and President Clark then responded in behalf of the National Irrigation congress.

SINGING OF THE PRIZE ODE.

A trained chorus of 200 voices then sang the National Irrigation ode, written by Mrs. Gilbert McClurg of Colorado Springs. Fifteen hundred delegates and spectators joined in the chorus to the tune of "America" and the effect was tremendous. Mrs. McClurg was given an ovation at its conclusion.

COMMITTEES NAMED.

Committees on credentials, permanent organization and resolutions were then provided for, to consist of one member from each state and territory represented, and adjournment until 1:30 p. m. was taken. Just previous to adjournment Sec. of Agriculture Wilson was introduced amid much cheering.

GOVERNOR WELLS.

Utah's Executive Welcomes Delegates Back to Their First Love.

Mr. President, and Gentlemen of the Eleventh Irrigation Congress. It is my profound pleasure to congratulate you upon the imposing and magnificent character of your delegations as well as to

welcome you from the best irrigated districts of my heart, back to your old and first love, the shadow of Utah. You will not need to be reminded that a dozen years ago the first congress met in our sister city of Salt Lake City, imbued with a public spirit and an enthusiasm which not only spring perennial in the breasts of the pioneers who saw the first irrigation carried to the grave by the loved ones gone before, but have also stimulated and illumined the nation's mind. The historic gathering, that that historic gathering, thought that the possibility of the arid west not being appreciated, and in the statesmanlike manner of the prevailing methods of reclamation were inadequate to the needs of the future. There were giants in those days, and while some have passed away, a goodly number yet remain whom we venerate as tried and true and ever

day looking each other in the face, just so surely will the next few years witness the improvement and reclamation of our arid acres in thousands upon thousands of happy homes. The congested conditions of our larger cities where men are forced through lack of means to stay and starve out their lives and spirits, rearing children who seldom see God's blessed sunshine or look upon His mighty handiwork in nature, will be corrected when the certainty of agricultural success which irrigation assures, a little farm can be secured to which the honest toil of the family and the value and beauty which they themselves can enjoy. You who are here before me may not all live to see this, but those who shall too soon pass away may do so with the satisfaction that for such work along these lines as they have performed, millions will yet rise up and call them blessed.

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For twenty minutes at noon today there were exciting times at the Keogh-Wright hospital, on the corner of Second North and First West, owing to an outbreak of fire in the roof. The blaze was caused by a passer by who promptly extinguished the fire in about 30 minutes. The fire was extinguished, the charred portions of the roof copped out, and the firemen were at work reeling in their hose.

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During the time, however, there was plenty of excitement incident to getting out the bed-ridden patients property and salvage generally. In all it was necessary to carry out seven patients as they lay. The four private patients who were upstairs and consequently in the greatest danger were:

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The nurses acted heroically and with promptitude in getting out the patients under the direction of Supt. Dr. Mabel Hughes. They would allow no volunteers to enter the hospital. Unaided and by sheer strength they coolly carried out their charges on the bedding on which they lay and transferred them to the cottages adjoining the hospital.

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Soon after the fire broke out Rev. E. G. Hunting, superintendent of St. Mark's hospital arrived on the scene and offered in behalf of the institution to take care of the patients until such other provision as was deemed necessary could be made.

CAUSED BY DEFECTIVE FLUE.

The cause of the fire at this time is thought to be a defective flue. The roof at the west end of the institution was completely gutted before the firemen could get the blaze under control.

Dr. Wright, when seen, stated that he could place no estimate on the loss until he could examine the extent of the damage. The wards are badly damaged by water, while the valuable instruments kept in the operating room are thought to be rendered useless. The building and contents are valued at \$15,000, and are fully covered by insurance.

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The apparatus responding to the alarm, which was turned in at 12:24, consisted of the hose and chemical wagons from stations No. 1 and 2.

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A conference of members of this Church in Boise and nearby towns was called to meet at Boise for the more complete organization in this vicinity. Two sessions of the conference were held, afternoon and evening, both of which were presided over by Elder Nephi Pratt, President of the "Mormon" mission in the northwest. Members of the Church from Boise, Nampa and Payette took part and an interesting and profitable meeting was held, the hall being literally packed at both sessions.

Elder C. R. Savage of Salt Lake City, a very eloquent and interesting talker, was the principal speaker, and it is thought a great deal of good will accomplish as was expected, on account of the non-arrival of bees. The recent storm, together with the fact that the farmers have been very busy threshing, prevented the gathering of the tubers, and the result is that the wheels will not begin to revolve until Saturday or probably Monday at the latest.

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NEWSPAPERMAN ILL.

Son of Adjutant General Corbin Taken With a Chill in Salt Lake.

It Corbin, of Washington, D. C., who arrived with the party of newspaper men yesterday, was taken with a chill and went with his friends to the Knutsford. He was attended by Dr. Beatty and reported doing well this morning. The young man is a son of Adj. Gen. Corbin of the United States army and received many callers from the officers of Fort Douglas and elsewhere during the day.

A GAMBLING QUARREL.

Henry Shroder of Dayton, Wyo., Killed by Jack Hanley.

Sheridan, Wyo., Sept. 15.—Henry Shroder, a saloonkeeper at Dayton, a town west of here, was shot and killed, and Edward Sims, his bartender, seriously injured by Jack Hanley as the result of a dispute concerning money lost at cards. At the point of a gun Hanley compelled the employee of a livery stable to saddle a horse for him and he rode away. A posse of citizens overtook Hanley, who refused to surrender. Hanley who captured after his horse had been shot from under him and his leg broken by bullets fired by the posse. He was brought to this city and placed in jail. Great indignation prevails at Dayton, but it is not believed any attempt will be made to lynch Hanley.

A FIGHT IN ATHENS.

A Demonstration Results in 14 People Being Killed or Wounded.

Athens, Sept. 15.—A demonstration in connection with the municipal elections here was followed last night by hand-to-hand street fights.

Fourteen persons were killed or wounded.

PORT OF YANG TUNG.

State Department Approves of Change from Ta Tung Tao.

Washington, Sept. 15.—The agreement reached at Peking between Minister Conger and Prince Ching that the port to be opened on the Yalu river shall be Yang Tung instead of Ta Tung Tao, has the approval of the state department.

Offer to Capt. J. L. Schon.

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 15.—Capt. John L. Schon, U. S. A., retired, one of San Diego's best known citizens, yesterday received a communication from the St. Louis university tendering him the appointment of professor of military science and art in that institution. Twenty years' experience has qualified Capt. Schon for the position. The last five years of his active service was as adjutant to Maj. Gen. Otis, Capt. Schon has not yet decided to accept the position, although fully appreciating the honor of the appointment.

IDAHO PENSIONERS GRANTED.

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